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Torrance, California.
January 9th., 1934.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Regular Meeting in the City Hall, Torrance, California, on Tuesday, January 9th., 1934.

The City Clerk called the meeting to order at 7:45 P.M. and stated in the absence of the Mayor it is customary for the Council to appoint one of their members to act as temporary Chairman. Councilman Hitchcock then moved Councilman Ludlow be appointed temporary Chairman. Councilman Wright seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

City Clerk Bartlett called the roll. Those answering present were Councilmen: Hitchcock, Klusman, Wright and Ludlow. Absent: Councilman: Conner.

At the request of Councilman Klusman, Clerk Bartlett read the minutes of the regular meeting of December 26th., 1933. Councilman Klusman moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of December 26th., 1933, be approved as read. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Klusman moved that Mr. C.T. Rippy be appointed City Attorney in place of Mr. J.R. Jensen deceased. Councilman Wright seconded the motion, the record of the vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Wright and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Conner. Mr. Rippy was then duly declared City Attorney of the City of Torrance.

City Clerk Bartlett introduced and read

RESOLUTION NO. 600

AGREEING TO INSURE C.W.A. WORKERS

Councilman Klusman moved that Resolution No. 600 be adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Wright and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Conner.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Board of Education assuring cooperation in regard to employing C.W.A. workers in connection with building tents or demolishing buildings in this district.

A decision from Chas. T. Rippy, was read with reference to claim of City Transfer and Storage Co., of Long Beach for a refund of the last quarterly license for the year 1933.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Torrance Electric Shop with reference to the police telephone system recommending that a meter loop be installed or an extension line be put in to the Police Station. Councilman Hitchcock moved that an extension line be installed to the Police Station. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Wright and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Conner.

Communications from the Union Oil Company and from the receivers for the Pan American Petroleum Company were read reporting that no permits to place pipe lines or conduits were issued and that no such pipe lines or conduits were constructed in the City of Torrance, under franchise for the six months period ending December 31, 1933.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from B.J. Donahue, Recreational Director, requesting the loan of a city truck to take a group of children to Big Pines, Saturday, January 13th. Councilman Hitchcock moved this request be granted. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

At 8:15 Acting Mayor Ludlow declared a recess to await the arrival of Mayor Conner. Mayor Conner took the chair at 8:35 P.M.

Clerk Bartlett read a petition signed by 213 citizens and registered voters of the City of Torrance recommending Albert Isen, attorney, to fill the position of City Judge. Councilman Klusman moved this be filed. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. City Attorney Rippy at this time expressed his appreciation of the honor bestowed upon him, stating he would conduct the office to the best of his ability. Councilman Klusman moved Mr. Rippy resign as Police Judge. Councilman Klusman moved the motion be seconded. Mayor Conner seconded the motion, after which a brief discussion followed, different members of the Council expressing their desire to have more time in this matter. The record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow and Wright. Mayor Conner not voting. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy reported that the escrow on the new park is about completed.

Councilman Ludlow moved that we request the Board of Supervisors to cancel taxes for last half of year on the park that is being purchased by the city. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Attorney Rippy introduced and read

RESOLUTION NO. 601

REQUESTING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
CANCEL TAXES ON PARK

Councilman Klusman moved that Resolution No. 601 be adopted. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Ludlow, Wright and Conner. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Ludlow moved the purchase of siren for fire use in the Hollywood Riviera cost about \$100.00. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Ludlow, Wright and Conner. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Ludlow requested more time to complete the agreement with the Hospital Association.

Councilman Klusman stated Mr. Speheger had been appointed illegally as police officer. This point of law was looked into by Attorney Rippy and it was found Mr. Speheger's appointment was within the law.

Mayor Conner stated a resolution of condolence to Mrs. Jensen should be adopted. Councilman Ludlow moved that such a resolution be drawn and adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Wright moved that Mr. Rippy be appointed director on the Metropolitan Water District to succeed J.R. Jensen deceased. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion. Councilman Klusman moved as a substitute motion to Councilman Wright's motion, that Attorney Rippy's resignation be accepted as Police Judge. Substitute motion was lost for want of a second. The record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Ludlow, Wright and Conner. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

At the request of Mayor Conner, Engineer Leonard outlined briefly the work the Council had been doing to endeavor to get an adequate representation on the C.W.A. work that is being done.

Councilman Klusman asked Mayor Conner about the P.W.A. appropriation for the outfall sewer. Mayor Conner replied that no definite information had been received. Councilman Klusman also inquired about the Water application. Mayor Conner stated there is nothing to report.

Oral Communications:

Mr. Beverly Smith inquired about the C.W.A. registration for Torrance. Engineer Leonard stated approximately 300 were registered and that there were two classifications of registration and the age limit is 16 to 74 years.

Mr. Charles Smith of Lomita called attention to the condition of Lomita Boulevard, especially since the recent rains. Engineer Leonard explained this had been taken up with the County Road Department. It was decided Mayor Conner, Engineer Leonard and Mr. Smith would go into the matter with Supervisor Quinn.

Councilman Klusman recommended Mr. Hammack to the position of Police Judge.

Councilman Ludlow moved that warrants be drawn on all bills properly audited. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of the vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Ludlow, Wright and Conner. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Ludlow moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mayor Conner declared the meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

A. H. Barclay
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

A. Earl Conner
Mayor of the City of Torrance.